A Hurricane Juliette Generated Coastally Trapped Wave In The HYbrid Coordinate Ocean Model (HYCOM)

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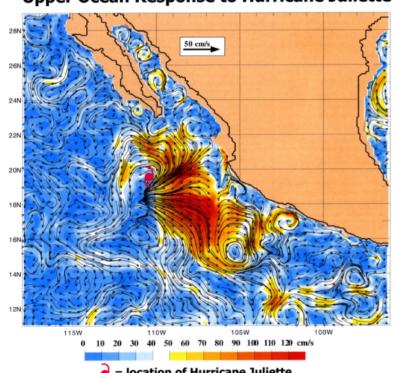
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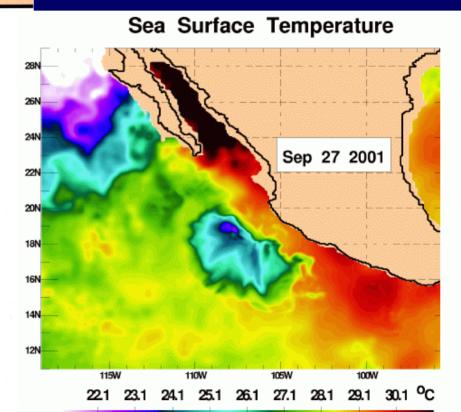
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Operational 1/16° global Navy Layered Ocean Model response to Hurricane Juliette

Upper Ocean Response to Hurricane Juliette



= location of Hurricane Juliette



Hurricanes are included in the atmospheric forcing from FNMOC

Zamudio et al. (2002)

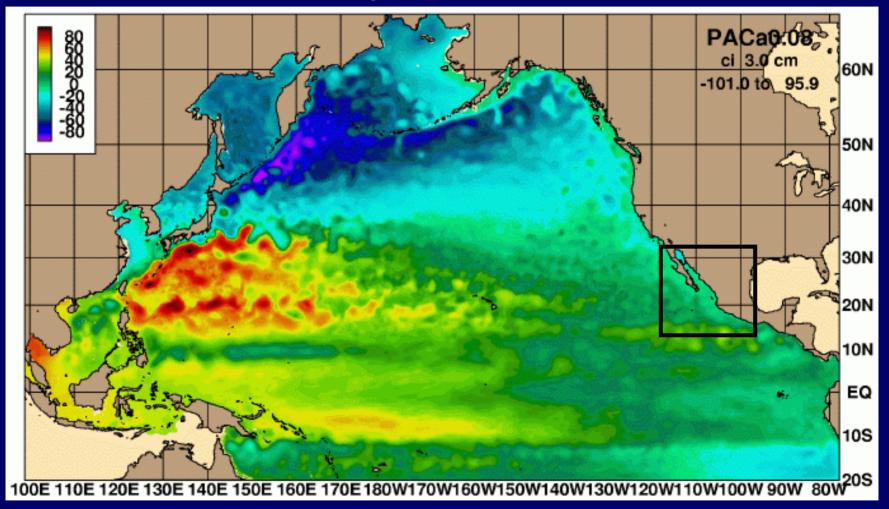
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HYCOM Configuration

- 2 Domains
 - Pacific basin: 20°S 62°N, 99°E 78°W
 - Gulf of California: 14°N 32°N, 118°W 97°W nested within Pacific HYCOM
- 3 Model resolutions
 - Pacific basin: 1/12°
 - Gulf of California: 1/25° (2x), 1/37.5° (3x)
- 20 vertical coordinate surfaces
- KPP mixed layer
- Surface forcing: wind stress, wind speed, thermal forcing, precipitation, relaxation to climatological SSS
- Monthly river runoff

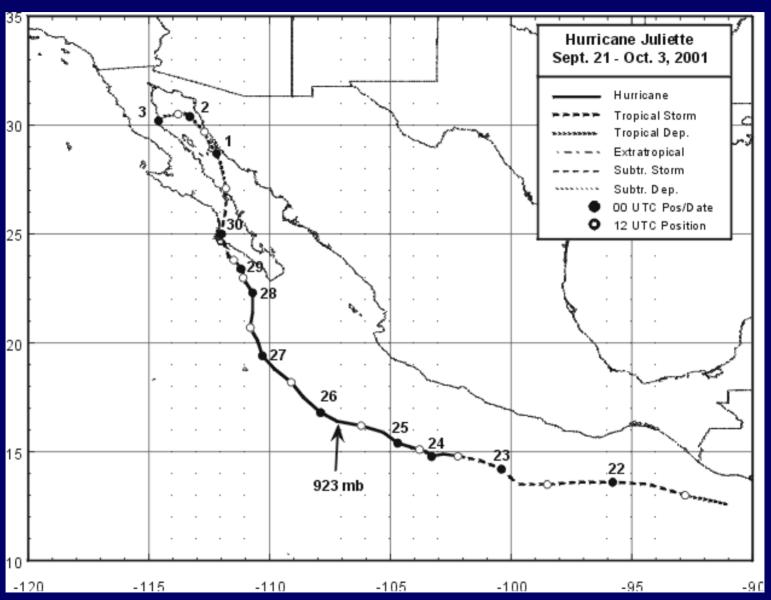
1/12° Pacific HYCOM Basin-scale Circulation

SSH Snapshot – 21 March



Nesting strategy: 1-day updating in a 10 gridpoint buffer zone at the GOC boundaries using T, S, P, u and v from the Pacific model

Track of Hurricane Juliette

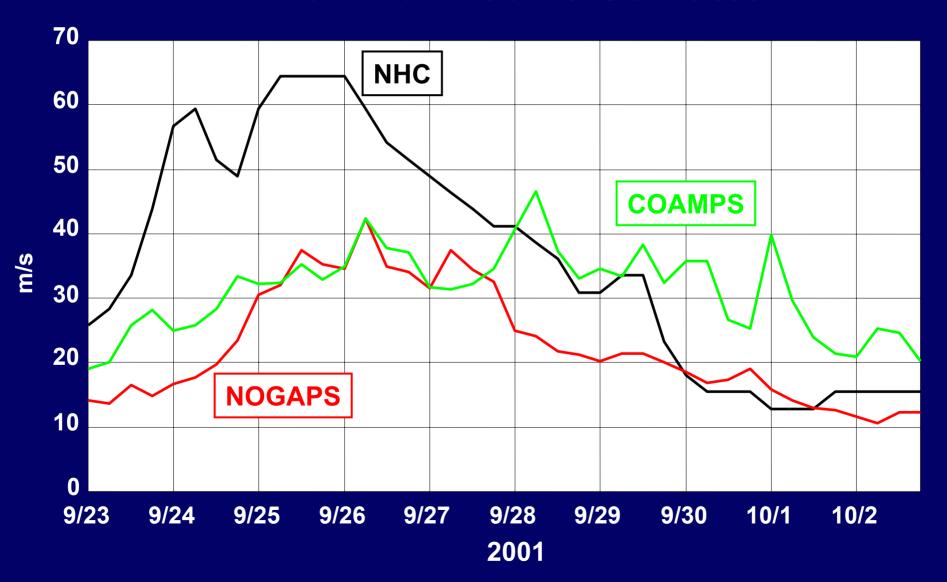


Source: National Hurricane Center

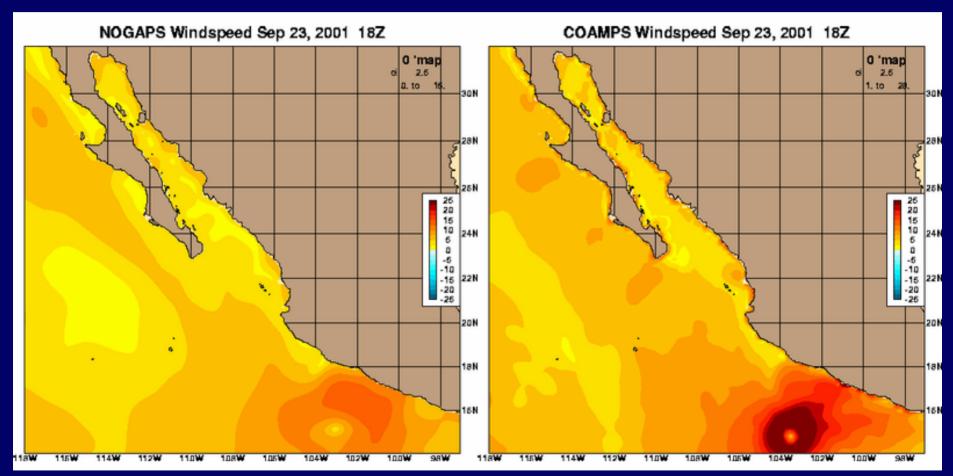
Atmospheric Forcing

- Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center (FNMOC) wind forcing (6 hourly)
 - 1° Navy Operational Global Atmospheric Prediction System (NOGAPS) surface stresses
 - 27 km Central America Coupled Ocean Atmosphere Prediction System (COAMPS) surface stresses
 - Domain: 0° 32°N, 120°W 60°W
- FNMOC NOGAPS thermal forcing (6 hourly air temperature, specific humidity, shortwave and longwave radiation)
- **FNMOC NOGAPS precipitation (6 hourly)**

Maximum Windspeed Associated With Hurricane Juliette



Windspeed 23 September 2001 18Z NOGAPS COAMPS

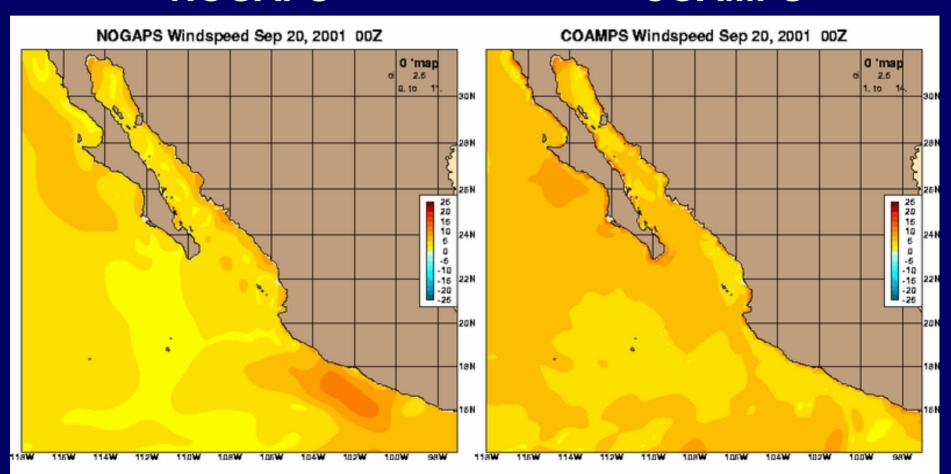


Note the much higher windspeed in the center of the storm as well as along the Mexican coast in COAMPS

Windspeed

NOGAPS

COAMPS



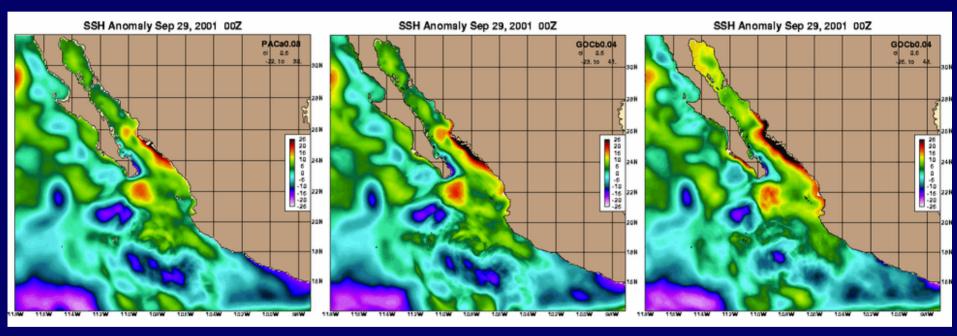
HYCOM Response to Hurricane Juliette

SSH anomaly – 29 September 2001 00Z

1/12° PAC

1/25° GOC

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NOGAPS wind forcing

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COAMPS wind forcing

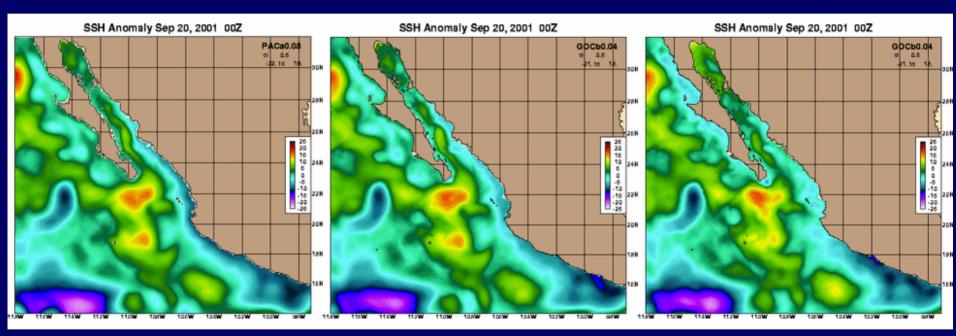
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HYCOM Response to Hurricane Juliette

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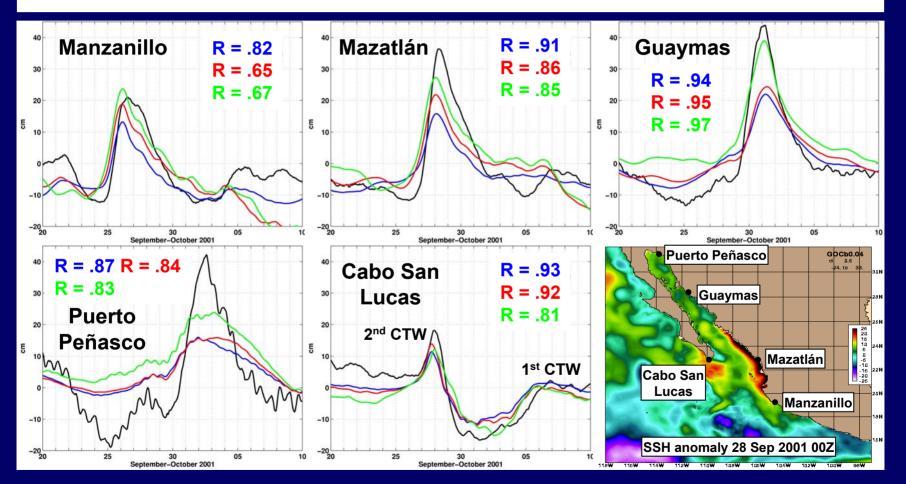
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Observed Versus Modeled Sea Level Anomaly Along the Mexican Coast Associated With the Coastally Trapped Waves (CTW) Generated by Hurricane Juliette: 20 Sept- 10 Oct 2001

Observations 1/12° Pacific 1/25° GOC - NOGAPS 1/25° GOC - COAMPS



A 1-day running mean filter has been applied to all time series. No data have been assimilated into the models. Observed sea level has been provided by the University of Hawaii and the Secretaría de Marina de México (Mexican Navy).

Summary

- CTW generated by Hurricane Juliette simulated by all versions of HYCOM
- Phase of the simulated CTW agrees well with observed sea level
- Amplitude of the simulated CTW is weakest in lowest resolution model (1/12°) and increases with increasing model resolution (1/25°)
- Amplitude of the simulated CTW is sensitive to the atmospheric forcing